Volume), title "Sheriffs," subtitle "Compensation and Duties," to increase the salary and discontinue the allowance for the Sheriff of Somerset County, increase the salary of his chief deputy, increase salary of the county jailer and make it total rather than additional compensation; deleting jail matron; providing for equipment and expenses; and making it mandatory that certain equipment be used.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 37(s) of Article 87 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume), title "Sheriffs," subtitle "Compensation and Duties," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

37.

- (s) (1) The Sheriff of Somerset County shall receive an annual salary of [four] seven thousand [two hundred] dollars [\$4,200.00,] \$7,000.00 [and an annual allowance of one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) for expenses] total compensation. He shall appoint not less than two deputies, one of whom shall be known as the chief deputy and shall receive an annual salary of [three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00)] five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5,500), the second deputy shall receive an annual salary of two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700.00). The Sheriff may appoint such additional deputies at such compensation as may be approved by the County Commissioners. The Sheriff or one of his deputies shall act as county jailer and for that responsibility shall receive annual total compensation [, in addition to his regular salary,] in the amount of [fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00)] six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00). [The Sheriff shall appoint a jail matron at an annual salary of six hundred dollars (\$600.00).]
- (2) The County Commissioners of Somerset County are hereby authorized to provide the uniforms, radio equipment, automobiles and operating expenses including, but not limited to, gasoline, oil, insurance and repairs, office equipment and supplies, for the use of the Sheriff's office for law enforcement at an annual cost not to exceed such amount as shall be prescribed in the budget by the County Commissioners. The Sheriff and his deputies shall be uniformed when acting in the capacity of Sheriff or deputy, and the automobile used by them when acting as Sheriff or deputy shall be equipped with a two-way radio.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the provisions of this Act shall not be construed to extend or apply to the salary of the Sheriff of Somerset County in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act pertaining to such salary shall take effect with the next term of office.
- SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1970.

Approved April 1, 1970